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(54) Overgarment with attached gloves, hat etc.

(57) An overgarment is characterised by a retaining means and a separate storage means for each of two or more of the following: a hat, gloves, scarf, socks or overshoes. Typically the retaining means comprises a cord. The storage means comprises a pocket, slot, button or contact pad or region either attached to or integral with the garment. In figs 1A, 1B are shown gloves 20 attached by cord 22 and storable in pockets 18 on the sleeves, and a hat 25 storable and attached by means of a button 34 on the back of the garment and a cooperating loop 33 on the hat. A scarf (figs. 2A, 2D not shown) may be attached by a similar means and stored under the collar. The hat may also be stored in a large patch pocket (59) – fig 2B not shown, attached to the back of the garment.

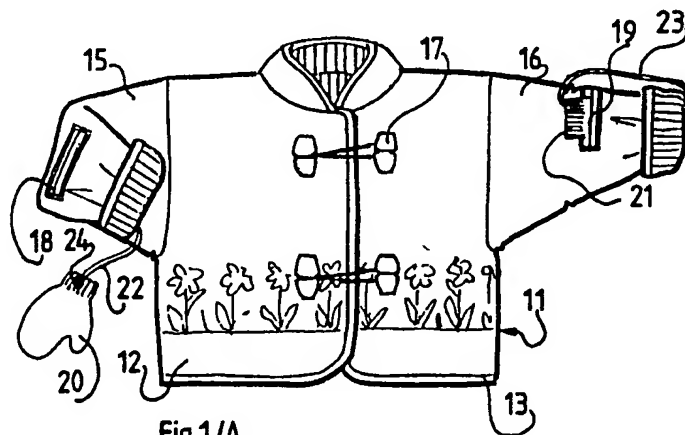


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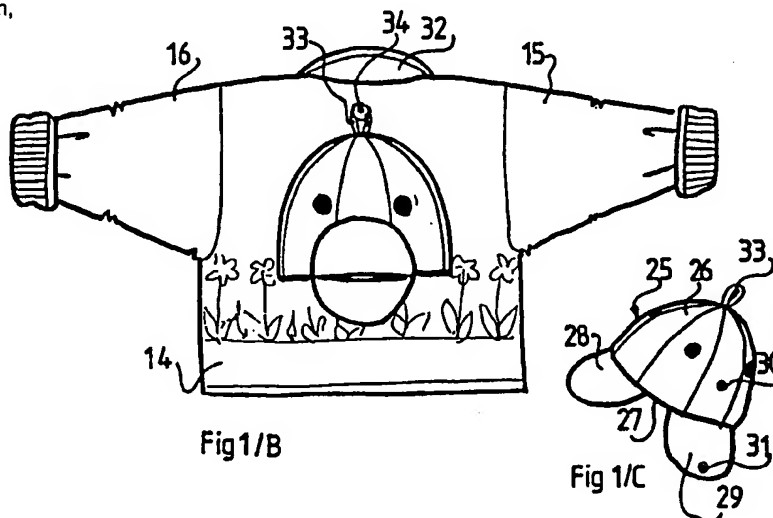


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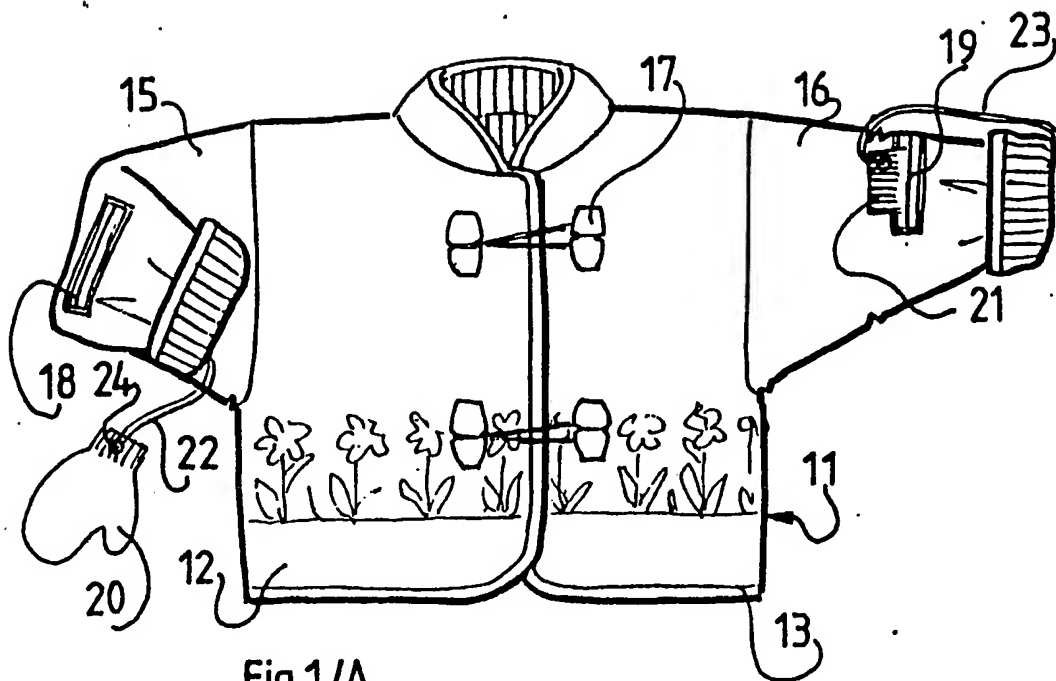


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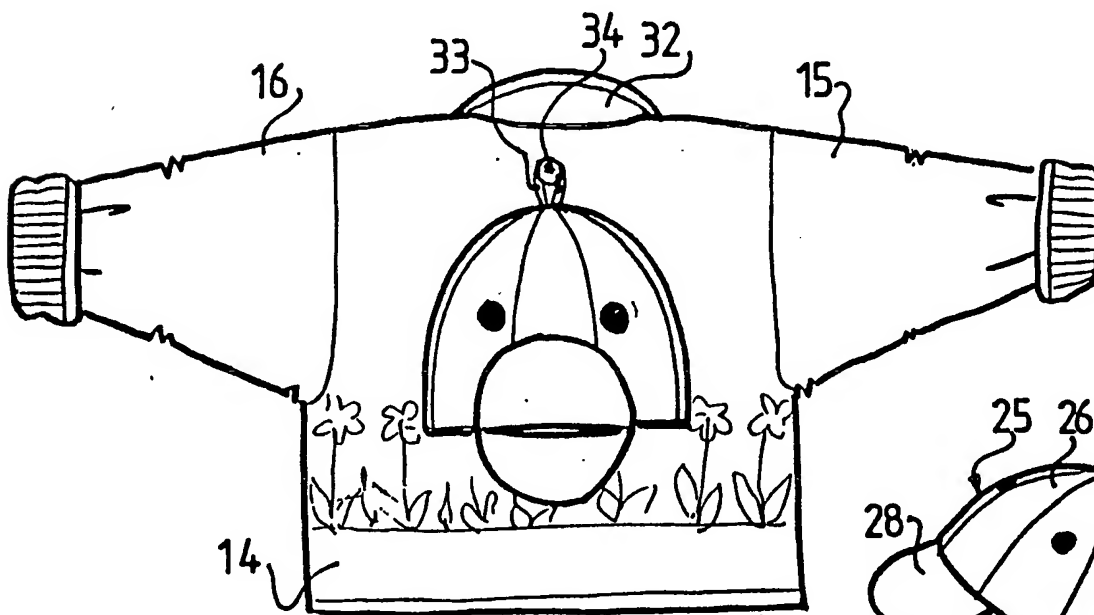


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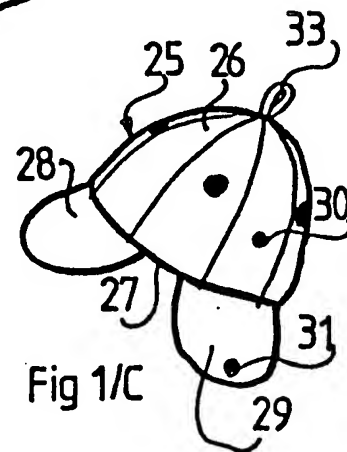


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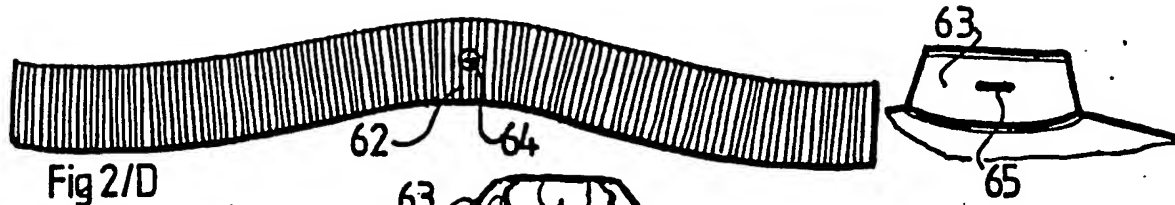


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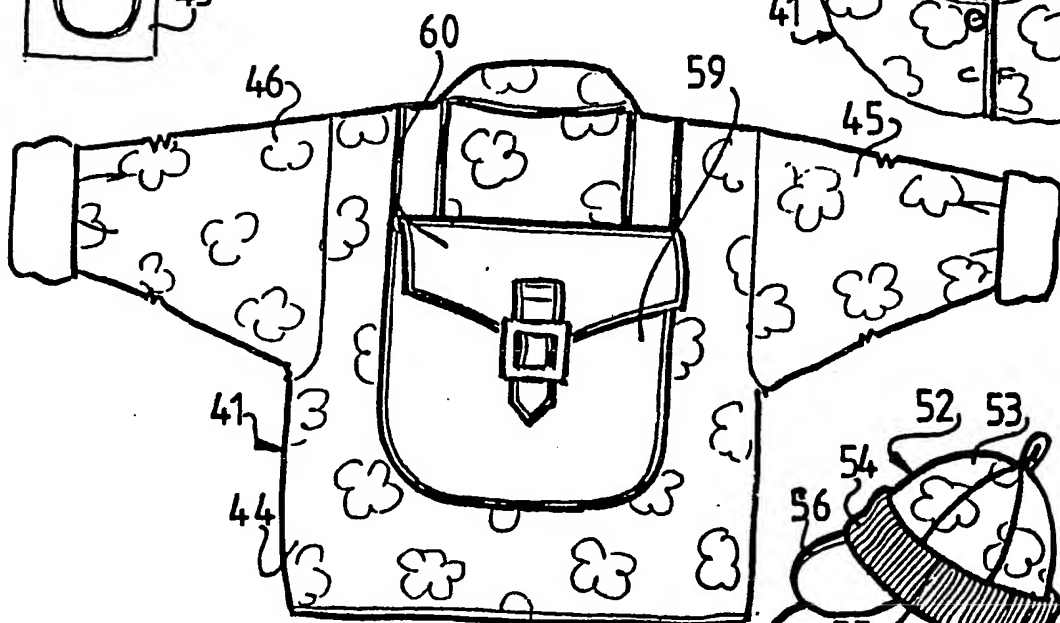
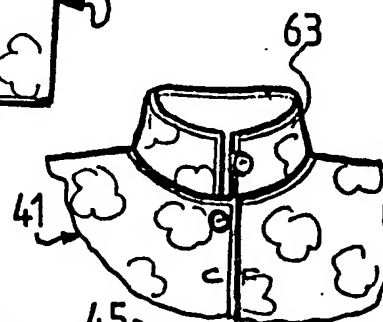
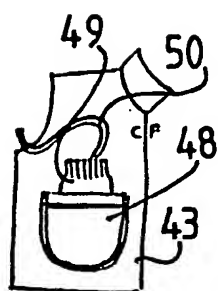


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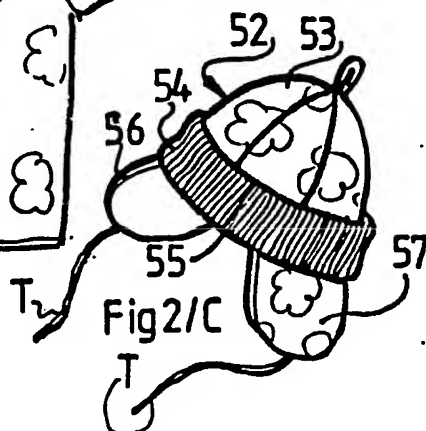
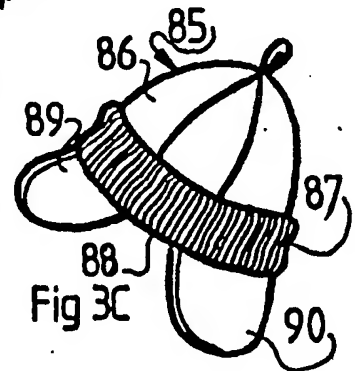
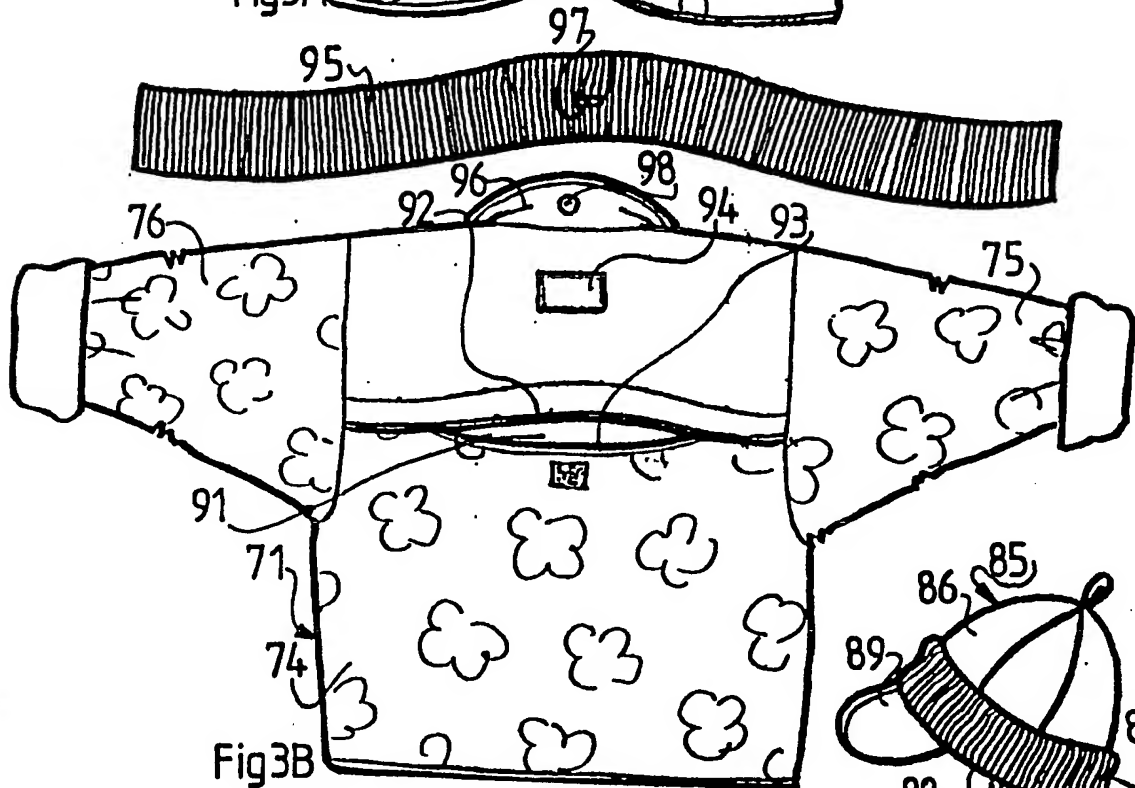
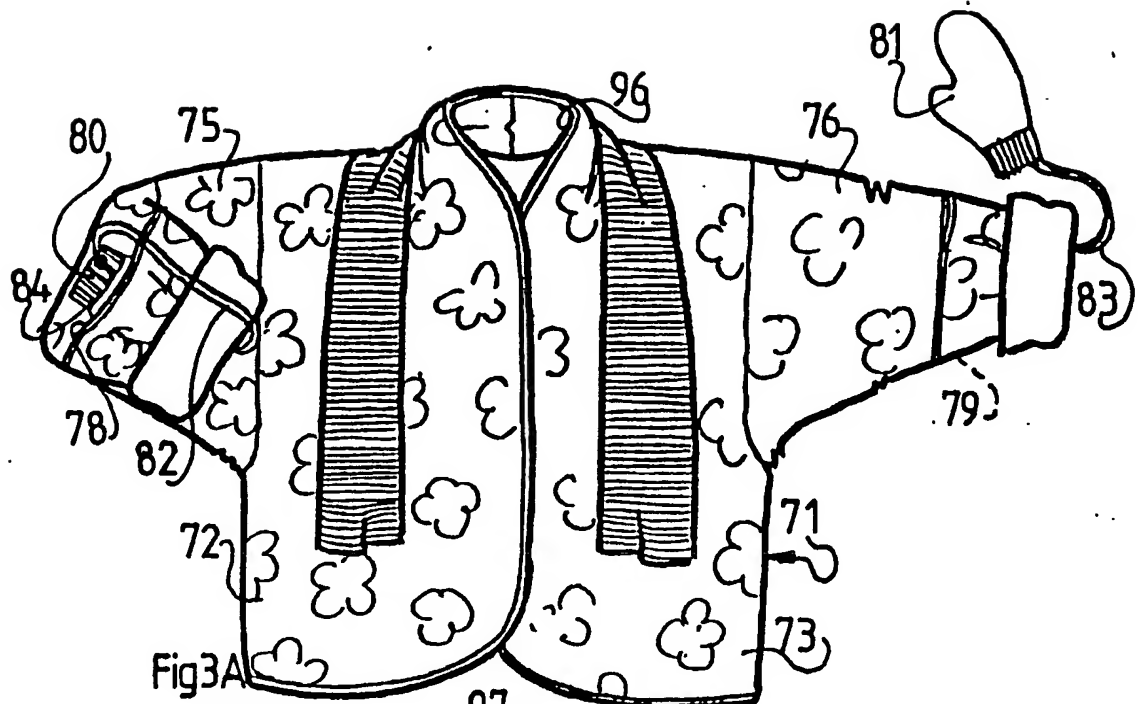


Fig 2/C



OVERGARMENT

This invention relates to an overgarment that is to say an article of clothing intended for use over any other garment the wearer has on. It is particularly, though not exclusively, intended for use with children.

An overgarment is generally intended as protection for the wearer against inclement weather and/or to protect garments already worn. Thus the overgarment can provide for a degree of water proofing, thermal insulation, impact protection, soil prevention or decoration or any combination of these. Given the overgarment is providing protection further protection is usually needed for any extremities of the wearer which extend outside the garment such as hands, head legs or feet along with effective closure of any apertures in the garment such as one provided for the neck. With children in particular the use and storage of items for such further protection raise problems when it is felt desirable for any of the items to be available, even though not actually worn, when the child is away from home or transport. A child will not necessarily be attentive to retaining or storing the items and consequently attention has to be paid to the whereabouts of the items for as long as the garment is being worn.

According to the present invention there is provided an overgarment characterised by a retaining means and a separate storage means each of two or more of the following: a hat, gloves, scarf, socks or overshoes.

A relatively small item like a glove can usually be readily stored in a pocket. However there remains a need for the glove to be retained on the garment so that regardless of whether it is worn or is in a pocket it cannot be detached from the garment. However a larger item, such as a hat, is not always readily or conveniently stored in a pocket.

The storage of any item should be readily carried out without the need to exercise considerable skill or force and provide for the ready recovery of the item/s involved in the event that it is to be recovered and used.

Exemplary embodiments of the invention will now be described with reference to the accompanying drawings of outer wear for children of

which:

Figure 1 shows a first embodiment with various details:

Figure 2 shows a second embodiment with various details; and

Figure 3 shows a third embodiment with various details.

FIGURE 1

The items making up Figure 1 show a jacket 11 made up of front panels 12, 13, rear panel 14 and sleeves 15, 16. The front panel can be closed by way of toggle fasteners 17. The sleeves 15, 16 have, respectively, pockets 18, 19 towards their outer ends to serve as storage for, respectively, gloves 20, 21.

The gloves 20, 21 whether worn or not are retained captive on the jacket 11 by way of cords 22, 23. Typically one end of cord 22 is looped and demountably secured to glove 20 by way of a button 24. The other end of cord 22 is likewise looped so as to be retained on a button within sleeve 15.

Hat 25 has a main body section 26 to lower edge 27 of which are hinged ear flaps 28, 29. When the hat 25 is being worn ear flaps 28, 29 can either be folded up for retention against the sides of the main body section 26, typically by way of poppers 30, 31, or be attached to the jacket 11 by way of complimentary poppers in the vicinity of collar 32.

The hat 25 has a loop 33 whereby the hat 25 can be stored on the back of jacket 11 on a button 34. The hat 25 is configured and decorated to represent the head of a duck when located on the back of the jacket as shown. The ear flaps 28, 29 in this instance can be joined by way of poppers to readily form an imitation beak.

FIGURE 2

The items making up Figure 2 show a jacket 41 made up of front panels 42, 43, rear panel 44 and sleeves 45, 46. The front panels can be closed by way of buttons 47. The front panel 42, 43 have on their inner sides

respectively, pockets to store gloves. Typically pocket 48 on the inner side of panel 43 serve as storage for glove 49.

The glove 49 whether worn or not is retained captive on the jacket 41 by way of cord 50. Typically one end of cord 50 is looped and demountably secured to glove 49 by way of a button as described in connection with Figure 1 and the other end of cord 50 is likewise retained on a button within sleeve 46.

Hat 52 has a main body section 53 with a knitted band 54 around its lower part. Lower edge 55 of the section 53 has hinged to it ear flaps 56, 57 from which extend ties T which can be used to draw the flaps around the head of the wearer or to anchor the jacket 41 to an anchorage in the vicinity of neck opening 58 of the jacket 41. When not in use the hat 52 is retained on the jacket 41 by way of a patch pocket 59 on rear panel 44. The pocket 59 has a buckled flap 60.

A scarf 62 is provided for use in conjunction with the collar 63. The scarf 62 has a button 64 whereby the scarf 62 can be both anchored and retained on collar 63 by way of button hole 65 on the underside of collar 63. Alternatively poppers, hooks or other retaining means can be used.

FIGURE 3

The items making up Figure 3 show a jacket 71 made up of front panels 72, 73, rear panel 74 and sleeves 75, 76. The front panel can be closed by way of conventional fasteners of VELCRO (RTM) material 77. The sleeves 75, 76 have, respectively, pockets 78, 79 formed in rolled over cuffs of the sleeves to serve as storage for, respectively, gloves 80, 81.

The gloves 80, 81 whether worn or not are retained captive on the jacket 71 by way of, respectively, cords 82, 83. Typically one end of cord 82 is looped and demountably secured to glove 80 by way of a button 84. The other end of cord 82 is likewise looped so as to be retained on a button within sleeve 75.

Hat 85 has a main body section 86 with a knitted band 87 around its lower part. Lower edge 88 of the section 86 has hinged to it ear flaps 89, 90. When not in use the hat 85 is stored in the jacket 71 by way of a pocket 91 in rear panel 74 which takes the form of a pillowcase type opening with edges 92, 93 which can be closed by way of a fastening incorporating a pad 94 of VELCRO (RTM) material.

Scarf 95 has a button hole 97 serving to both anchor and retain the scarf 95 on collar 97 by way of button 98 on the underside of collar 96.

The exemplary embodiments show ways anchoring and storing gloves, hats and scarves in relation to a jacket. However the invention embraces an overgarment comprising or incorporating trousers. Examples are all-in-one suits for infants and sports garments such as ski suits. Such an overgarment can incorporate anchoring and storing means for the foregoing items. It can additionally or alternatively incorporate anchorage and storage for items such as socks or overshoes which can be housed in suitable apertures or pockets in the legs of an overgarment. Typically the socks or overshoes would be:

retained by way of a cord (cord 22, 23, Figure 1; cord 50, Figure 2; and cord 83 Figure 3); and

stored in a pocket (such as pocket 18, 19 Figure 1; pocket 48, 59, Figure 2; Pocket 78, 79, 71 Figure 3); or by way of poppers (Poppers 30, 31 Figure 1).

CLAIMS

- 1 An overgarment characterised by a retaining means and a separate storage means for each of two or more of the following: a hat, gloves, scarf, socks or overshoes.
- 2 An overgarment as claimed in Claim 1 wherein the retaining means comprises a cord.
- 3 An overgarment as claimed in Claim 1 or Claim 2 wherein the storage means comprises a pocket, slot, button or contact pad or region either attached to or integral with the garment.
- 4 An overgarment as claimed in any preceding claim wherein the overgarment is a jacket.
- 5 An overgarment as claimed in any of preceding claims 1, 2 or 3 wherein the overgarment comprises or incorporates trousers.
- 4 An overgarment as hereinbefore described with reference to and as described in the accompanying drawings.

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